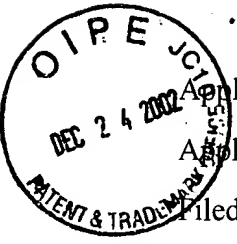


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending in the present application. In the Restriction Requirement mailed on November 19, 2002, the decision was set forth that the application contained claims directed to two distinct inventions, which are: Invention I, Claims 1-15, drawn to an exercise device; and Invention II, Claims 16-20, directed to a flywheel. Accordingly, a requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121 to elect a signal invention for prosecution was set forth.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, applicant elects Invention I, Claims 1-15, drawn to an exercise device, for prosecution on the merits, without traverse. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned attorney, if there are any remaining issues regarding this matter.

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A. Response to Restriction Requirement Transmittal

Transmitted herewith is a Response to Restriction Requirement in the above-identified application.

- ☒ 1. No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.
☐ 2. The claim fee has been calculated as shown below.

COMPUTATION OF FEE FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For		Present Extra		Rate		Additional Fee
Total Claims	15	-	20	=	0	x	9	=	0
Independent Claims	4	-	6	=	0	x	42	=	0
TOTAL									\$0

B. Additional Fee Charges or Credit for Overpayment

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any

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overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this document is enclosed.

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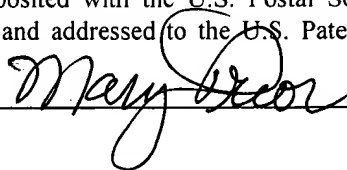
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